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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of Inventor(s):

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For: ACTIVE CONTROL OF COLLABORATIVE DEVICES

**ASSIGNEE NAME: INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES CORPORATION**  
**ASSIGNEE RESIDENCE: ARMONK, NEW YORK**

Enclosed are also:

22 Pages of Specification including an Abstract  
 9 Pages of Claims  
 5 Sheet(s) of Drawings  
 A Declaration and Power of Attorney  
 Form PTO 1595 and assignment of the invention to IBM Corporation

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| FOR                       | Number Filed |       | Number Extra |   | Rate  |   | Basic Fee (\$740) |
|---------------------------|--------------|-------|--------------|---|-------|---|-------------------|
| Total Claims              | 15           | -20 = | 0            | X | \$ 18 | = | \$0               |
| Independent Claims        | 3            | -3 =  | 0            | X | \$ 84 | = | \$0               |
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